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HONGKONG, THURSDAY, MARCH 21, 1907.

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Intimations.

WHO'S WHO IN THE FAR EAST.

The 1907-8 issue of this book
of reference is now in
active preparation.

FORMS MUST BE RETURNED BEFORE MARCH 31.

THE PUBLISHERS,
8, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL,
Hongkong.

Hongkong, March 21, 1906.

SCOTTISH MARONIC QUADRILLE
ASSOCIATION.

CALICO FANCY DRESS BALL.

WEDNESDAY, THE 3rd APRIL, 1907.

IT is hereby notified for the information
of Subscribers and Guests, that FANCY
DRESS is optional for guests. It is hoped
that Subscribers will attend in FANCY
DRESS COSTUME. All names of guests
to be forwarded to the SECRETARY not later
than the 1st of April.

J. J. BLAKE,
Secretary.

Hongkong, March 19, 1907.

NOTICE.

MR. HERBERT RICHARD BUDD
HARROCK is this day authorized
to sign the name of our Firm.

SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.

Hongkong, February 15, 1907.

WANTED.

A EUROPEAN RESIDENT CARP-
TAKER and GENERAL SECRE-
TARY to the Masonic Lodges and Club,
Singapore. Free quarters, with lights and
water. Must be Master Mason. Techni-
cally preferred. Apply to District Grand
Secretary, Freemasons' Hall, Singapore,
forwarding copies of testimonials and stat-
ing salary expected.

Hongkong, March 15, 1907.

WANTED.

By notice of April, Small Quietly Situat-
ed, with view of Harbour, in
neighbourhood of Robinson Road.
Rent not to exceed \$125 inclusive.
Reply to
"X. Y. Z."

Care of "CHINA MAIL" Office,
Hongkong, March 7, 1907.

WANTED.

LADY TYPIST, able to write shorthand.
Reply stating speed, previous experi-
ence and salary required.
Address: B. Box 38 B,
Hongkong.

Hongkong, February 27, 1907.

HONGKONG COTTON SPINNING,
WEAVING & DYING CO., LD.

APPLICATION has been made to the
General Managers to issue to
ALFRED BROOKE SMITH, Esq., of
Hongkong, duplicate Certificate of 145
Shares in the above Company upon the
statement that the Original Certificate
viz. No. 552 dated 19th August, 1905, for 145
Shares numbered 10872 to 10941, 112051
to 112075, 4411 to 4450, 1037 to 1061,
and 4076 to 4090 has been LOST or
STOLEN.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that if
within 30 days from date hereof no claim
or representation in respect of such original
Certificate is made to the General Managers
they will then proceed to deal with such
application for a duplicate.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, March 12, 1907.

THE TRADE MARKS ORDINANCE
1893.

APPLICATION FOR REGISTRATION
OF TRADE MARKS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that
THE HONGKONG MILLING COM-
PANY, LIMITED, of Victoria, in the
Colony of Hongkong, have on the 13th
December, 1906, and the 8th January, 1907
respectively, applied for the Registration
in Hongkong, in the Register of Trade
Marks, of the following Trade Marks:—

1. TWELVE PIGS.

2. FOUR GOLD FISH.

in the name of the said HONGKONG MILLING
COMPANY, LIMITED, who claim to be the
Sole Proprietors of the same.

The Trade Marks are intended to be used
by the applicants, in respect of the follow-
ing goods:—

In respect of Flour: in Class 42.

A Fac-simile of such Trade Marks can be
seen at the Office of the Colonial Secretary
of Hongkong, or of the Undersigned.

Dated the 21st day of January, 1907.

HASTINGS & HASTINGS,
Solicitors for the Applicants.

38, Queen's Road Central.

Business Notices.

W. S. BAILEY & CO. ENGINEERS & SHIPBUILDERS.

WORKS:
KOWLOON BAY.

OFFICES & STORES:
No. 20, CONNAUGHT ROAD.

HONGKONG, CANTON, MACAO AND WEST RIVER STEAMERS.

JOINT SERVICE OF THE HONGKONG, CANTON AND
MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LTD., AND THE CHINA
NAVIGATION COMPANY, LTD.

Hongkong-Canton Line.
s.s. HONAM, 2,383 tons, Captain H. D. Jones.
s.s. POWAN, 2,383 tons, Captain W. A. Valentine.
s.s. FATSHAN, 2,383 tons, Captain C. Lloyd.
s.s. KUNSHAN, 1,938 tons, Captain D. Branch.
s.s. HUNGSHAN, 1,938 tons, Captain R. D. Thomas.

Departures from Hongkong to Canton daily at 8 a.m. (Sunday Excepted), 10 p.m. (Saturday Excepted).

Departures from Canton to Hongkong daily at 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. (Sunday excepted).

The S.S. POWAN will leave Hongkong every Monday, Wednesday and Friday, at 9 p.m. from Queen Street Wharf West, returning from Canton every Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday, at 8.30 p.m.

These Steamers, carrying His Majesty's Mail, are the largest and fastest on the River. Special attention is drawn to their Superior Saloon and Cabin accommodation.

SERVICE OF THE HONGKONG CANTON & MACAO STEAMBOAT COMPANY, LIMITED.

Hongkong-Macao Line.
s.s. SUI-AN, 1,651 tons, Captain E. H. Gearing.
s.s. SUI-TAI, 1,651 tons, Captain G. F. Morrison.
Departures from Hongkong to Macao on week days at 8 a.m. from Douglas Wharf and at 2 p.m. from the Company's Wharf. On Sunday Special Cheap Excursions, leaving Hongkong at 9 a.m. from Douglas Wharf and from Macao at 5 p.m. The Company also run a steamer from Macao on Sunday morning at 8 a.m. and from Hongkong at 1 p.m. from the Company's Wharf.

Departures from Macao to Hongkong on week days at 8 a.m. and 2 p.m.

Canton-Macao Line.
s.s. LUNGSHAN, 219 tons, Captain T. Hamlin.

Departures from Macao to Canton on Monday, Wednesday and Friday, at 7.30 a.m. Departures from Canton to Macao on Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday, at 7.30 a.m.

**JOINT SERVICE OF THE H.K., C. AND MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LTD., THE CHINA NAVI-
GATION COMPANY, LTD., AND THE HONG-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LTD.**

Canton-Wuchow Line.
s.s. SALAM, 558 tons, Captain J. Wilcox.
s.s. NANNING, 558 tons, Captain A. McKinnon.
One of the above Steamers leaves Canton for Wuchow every Monday, Wednesday and Friday at about 8 a.m., and the other leaves Wuchow for Canton on the same days at 8.30 a.m. Round trips take about five days. These vessels have Superior Cabin accommodation and are fitted throughout for passenger service.

Further particulars may be obtained at the Office of the—
HONGKONG, CANTON & MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LTD.
HOTEL MANSION, First Floor, opposite the Hongkong Hotel.
Or of BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.

Agents, CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LTD.

EASTER HOLIDAYS.

WEST RIVER TRIP.

THE Steamship
LINTAN

leaves Hongkong, on SUNDAY, March 31st

for WUCHOW, via West River Ports,

and arrives back in Hongkong early on

FRIDAY, April 5th.

The steamer stops long enough at San-
chen and Wuchow for passengers to visit

the places of interest.

For further particulars, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.

Agents: West River British S.S. Co.,
Telephone 36.

Hongkong, March 19, 1907.

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LABUAN COAL.

**THE LABUAN COALFIELDS COM-
PANY, LTD.,** are now prepared to

bunker Steamers at LABUAN with Good

Quality LABUAN COAL, double

screened and straight from the Mines.

For further particulars, apply to

BRADLEY & CO.,

Agents.

Telegraphic Address:—
"LABOR," Labuan.

Hongkong, March 13, 1907.

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PATEL & CO.,

**GENERAL STOREKEEPERS,
WINE & SPIRIT MERCHANTS,
SHAMSHU, CANTON.**

BEST GRAVIER, AMERICAN, MACLEAREN'S,
HOLLAND, EISSON, CAMMERTON, BIR-
LIMBURG, &c.

Assorted French Cheeses in tureens.

SAVOIE CHEESE at \$0.90 per Box.

HOWARD & CO.

NOTICE.

THE PARTNERSHIP hitherto existing

between the Underigned HERBERT

STEPHENS, PAUL TREGILLUS and

LOUIS VINCENT as Merchants and

foreign representatives at 50, Queen's

Road Central, Victoria, Hongkong, under

the style of "HOWARD & CO." has been

this day dissolved by mutual consent so far

as the undersigned Louis Vincent is

concerned and all interest and respon-
sibility of the said Louis Vincent in the

said business ceases as from and including

the 18th March instant.

The business will in future be carried

on by the undersigned Herbert Stephens

and Paul Tregillus.

All debts will be paid and all accounts

collected by the said Herbert Stephens and

Paul Tregillus.

Dated this 18th day of March, 1907.

(Signed) HERBERT STEPHENS.

(Signed) PAUL TREGILLUS.

(Signed) L. VINCENT.

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NORTH BRITISH AND MERCHANTILE INSURANCE COMPANY.

TOTAL FUNDS at 31st DECEMBER, 1905,

Authorized Capital £2,000,000

Subscribed Capital £2,000,000

Paid-up Capital £1,287,500 0 0

III—Fire Funds 3,388,729 19 6

III—Life & Annuity Funds 1,762,898 8 5

£17,837,119 8 1

Reverend Fire Branch 2,061,044 19 8

Life & Annuity 1,715,708 19 10

(Branches) £3,777,753 19 6

The Accumulated Funds of the Fire and

Life Departments are free from liability in

respect of each other.

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
Agents.

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Business Notices.

BELL'S ASBESTOS EASTERN AGENCY, LIMITED (SOLE AGENTS FOR BELL'S ASBESTOS CO., LTD., LONDON).

HAVE JUST RECEIVED A NEW SHIPMENT OF

ASBESTOS NON-CONDUCTING COMPOSITION.

ESTIMATES GIVEN

FOR WORK FINISHED COMPLETE.

Q'S SUPPLIED IN

Bags of 1 cwt. each.

OFFICE: 4, DES VUEUX ROAD.

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.

HAVE JUST RECEIVED A NEW SHIPMENT OF

LACE CURTAINS.

4 1/2 and 5 Yards Long

\$4.25, \$5, \$5.50, \$6, \$6.50 Per Pair.

NEW CURTAIN MUSLINS

LACE and INSERTION

Broche Lace Edged. Figured Etruscan.

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.

Hongkong, March 10, 1907.

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WITH ALL REQUISITES.

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SOLE AGENTS.

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(Ice House Lane).

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TWELVE NEW and Strongly-built

Hongkong CARGO LIGHTERS

four of 200, two of 150, four of 130, two

of 100 tons capacity; now lying completed

in Wuchow; Cheap.

Apply
RAMSEY & CO.,

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Hongkong, March 12, 1907.

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A LING & Co.,

FURNITURE STORE

HAVE THIS DAY

MOVED TO

No. 19, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL,

(KORR AND KOMOR).

Next to

Hongkong, February 1, 1907.

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CHEONG SHING.

JEWELLERS & EXPORTERS

DEALERS IN

VALUABLE CHINESE JADE

STONE.

GOLD-MOUNTED WARES

OF ALL KINDS.

Prices Very Moderate

No. 39A, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL,
HONGKONG.

Hongkong, March 13, 1907.

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EXCELLENT FURNISHED ROOMS.

COMFORT OF RESIDENTS AND THE COUSINE A SPECIALTY.

FOR TERMS APPLY TO

THE MANAGER.

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CAMPBELL, MOORE & CO.,

LIMITED.

JUST RECEIVED

NEW CONSIGNMENTS

Kaloderma Cream, Powder,

Dentifrice, Soap and

Perfumes.

ALSO

PERFUMERY

From other Well-known Manufacturers.

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OARMICHAEL AND CLARKE.

**CONSULTING ENGINEERS AND
SHIPBUILDERS.**

SURVEYORS AND CONTRACTORS.

REPAIRS PROMPTLY ATTENDED TO.

TELEGRAMS: "OARMICHAEL," HONGKONG.

A. B. C. Code, 4th Edition.

A. 1 Code.

Liab's Standard Code.

TELEPHONE, 232.

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Business Notices.

GREEN ISLAND CEMENT CO., LD PORTLAND CEMENT

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Shewan, Tomes & Co.,

GENERAL MANAGERS

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FAIRALL & CO.

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SUMMER TWEEDS, SERGES and

FLANNELS

Suitable for the

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THOROUGHLY UP TO DATE WITH EVERY MODERN LUXURY

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H. HAYNES, Manager.

OCCIDENTAL HOTEL

KOWLOON.

A QUIET, COMFORTABLE,

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.
THE Undersigned has received instructions from the Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co., Ltd., to sell by Public Auction,

MONDAY,

the 25th March, 1907, at 12 o'clock Noon, on the Premises,
The Building Material comprising the Two Semi-detached Houses (formerly "Isdale" and "Athol" and recently used as offices by the Wharf Company) situated in the Timber Yard immediately behind the Godown.
CONDITIONS OF SALE.
Cash on the fall of the Hammer.
The purchaser to remove from the property all the Material within 28 days following date of sale, failing which he must pay \$5 per day as Tenant of the Ground.
For further particulars, apply to
HUGHES & HOUGH,
Auctioneers.
Hongkong, March 19, 1907. 488

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction, on
MONDAY,
the 25th March, 1907, commencing at 2.30 p.m., at No. 35, WONG NEI CHONG ROAD,
THE WHOLE OF THE
VALUABLE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE,
Also
1 COTTAGE PIANO, in Good Condition. Catalogues will be issued.
Terms:—Cash on delivery.
GEO. F. HAMMERT,
Auctioneer.
Hongkong, March 19, 1907. 521

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions from H. F. O'BRIEN, Esq., to sell by Public Auction, on
MONDAY,
the 25th March, 1907, at 2.30 p.m., within his Residence, No. 10, MOUNTAIN VIEW, the Peak,
THE WHOLE OF HIS
VALUABLE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE,
Comprising
TAPESTRY-COVERED DRAWING ROOM SUITS, DRAWING ROOM AND DINING ROOM SUITS, WITH GLASS, TEAKWOOD EXTENSION DINING TABLE, BOOKCASE, VIENNA CHAIRS, GLASS AND CHOCOLATE WARE, PICTURES, CARPETS, RUGS, TEAKWOOD CHAIRS, BEDSTEADS, AND WARDROBES, DOUBLE IRON BEDSTEADS WITH WINE AND HAIR MATTRESSES, MARBLE TOP WARDROBE, TEAKWOOD DRESSING TABLE WITH GLASS, &c., &c.
Catalogues will be issued.
Terms:—As usual.
HUGHES & HOUGH,
Auctioneers.
Hongkong, March 19, 1907. 517

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction, for account of the concerned,
WEDNESDAY,
the 27th March, 1907, at Noon, at Kwong Sang Loong's Boiler Yard,
Tsi-Kok-Tsui,
One Set of
TRIPLE EXHAUSTION MARINE ENGINE
Cylinders 23 in. by 37 in. by 60 in., Stroke 3 ft. 3 in., Working Pressure 150 lbs., Revs. 66, with Thrust, Tunnel and Propeller Shafting.
A Steam Launch will leave Elsie Pier at 11.30 a.m. to convey intending purchasers.
Terms:—As usual.
HUGHES & HOUGH,
Auctioneers.
Hongkong, March 19, 1907. 470

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BIRMINGHAM CONDUIT ROAD.
EIGHT-ROOMED House—Billiard Room, with full-size Table; 3 Bath-rooms; Dining Room, Store-room and Pantry; Good Tennis Lawn, Electric Light and Bells, and a Telephone. For 6 or 8 months, from middle of April.
Apply to
Care of "China Mail" Office.
Hongkong, March 19, 1907. 59

To Let.

IMMEDIATELY the spacious premises on the Ground Floor of No. 2, PEDDER STREET, at present occupied by Messrs. HARRIS KIRBY & CO., Ltd.
Apply to
GILMAN & CO.
Hongkong, January 23, 1907. 155

To Let.

NO. 8, GRANVILLE AVENUE, Kowloon.
Apply to
HUMPHREYS ESTATE & FINANCE CO., LTD.
Hongkong, March 14, 1907. 490

To Let.

'SUMMER HOUSE' MOUNT KELKEE, the Peak, partially furnished—possession from 1st April, 1907. Low Rent.
Apply to
PERCY SMITH & SETH,
5, Queen's Road Central.
Hongkong, March 7, 1907. 430

To Let.

AT the Peak, from 1st April, FOUR-ROOMED FLAT, neatly completely furnished, with servants' quarters, etc.
Address
Care of "China Mail" Office.
Hongkong, March 6, 1907. 420

To Let.

NO. 101, MOUNT GOUGH, the Peak. From April next.
Apply
J. HASTINGS,
38, Queen's Road Central.
Hongkong, February 8, 1907. 269

To Let.

BUNGALOW (Furnished) at NEW TERRITORY, Kowloon. 4 Rooms, low rental.
BAGGAGE, FINE SHOES, Office and Dining Rooms.
75, WINDHAM STREET.
15, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, Top Floor (over Oldham, Macgregor & Co.).
BELLIOS TERRACE HOUSES, ROBERTSON ROAD.
CLEAN, CAFE ROAD, suitable for a Boarding House or Club.
"BANGOUR" PEAK.

To Let.

A SMALL BUNGALOW containing one Large Room, Dressing-room, Bath-room, Kitchen and Servants' Quarters. Close to Tram Station.
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Care of "China Mail" Office.
Hongkong, February 22, 1907. 350

To Let on Lease.

FROM 1st JANUARY, 1907.
NOS. 6, 8, 10, 12, 14, HOLLYWOOD ROAD.
Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5, SUN WA LANE.
Apply to
ARKATON V. APCAR & CO.,
45 Wyndham Street.
Hongkong, October 24, 1906. 27

To Let—Furnished.

NO. 5, MACDONNELL ROAD; from 15th April next.
Apply to
M. S. NORTHCOOTE,
40 THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT AND AGENCY CO., LTD.
Hongkong, March 1, 1907. 83

To Let—Furnished.

LAWKON, No. 118, PEAK, April to end September.
Apply to
M. W. SLADE,
Princes Buildings.
Hongkong, January 28, 1907. 189

To Let.

2ND FLOOR, No. 12, QUEEN'S ROAD
GREENCROFT, GARDEN ROAD, Kowloon, Redecorated, Electric Light, Tennis Court.
FAIRVIEW, ROBINSON ROAD, Kowloon, from March 1st.
Apply to
LEIGH & ORANGE,
1, Des Voeux Road.
Hongkong, February 10, 1907. 2

To Let.

NO. 1, WEST END TERRACE, SHAMHUN, CANTON.
Apply to
THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT AND AGENCY CO., LTD.
Hongkong, March 1, 1907. 18

To Let.

'HARPERVILLE' GARDEN ROAD, 6 Rooms with Tennis Court and detached Servants' Quarters. Possession from 1st Jan., 1907.
Apply to
PERCY SMITH & SETH,
Accountants, Auditors, &c.,
5, Queen's Road Central.
Hongkong, January 18, 1906. 21

To Let.

A HOUSE in WONG NEI CHONG ROAD.
OFFICES in KING'S BUILDING and FROM BUILDING.
GODOWNS on PRATA EAST.
A HOUSE in CLIFTON GARDENS Conduit Road.
FLATS in MORRISON TERRACE.
Apply to
THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT AND AGENCY CO., LTD.
Hongkong, March 1, 1907. 24

To Let.

WITH possession from 1st April, ONE WHOLE FLAT on Second Floor of No. 38, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL; convenient for Office or residential purposes; Three Rooms, with Kitchen and Bath-room; Gas, Electric Light and Water laid on; terms exceptionally low for such locality.
Apply to
MOOSA E. VIEIRA & Co.,
First Floor, 36, Queen's Road Central.
Hongkong, March 19, 1907. 519

To Let on For Sale.

NEW HOUSE on MOUNT KELKEE, 3 ROOMS, on Rural Building Lot No. 117.
Apply to
LINSTEAD & DAVIS,
3rd Floor, Alexandra Buildings.
Hongkong, January 23, 1907. 1716

To Let.

NO. 2, HOLLYWOOD ROAD.
Apply to
ARKATON V. APCAR & CO.,
45 Wyndham Street.
Hongkong, March 1, 1907. 389

To Let.

TWO FOUR-ROOMED HOUSES, at PRATA EAST, near East Point.
Apply to
JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.
Hongkong, January 3, 1907. 18

To Let.

POSSESSION FROM 1st APRIL NEXT.
SEMI-ATTACHED HOUSES, Nos. 18a and 13c, MACDONNELL ROAD. Each with 7 Rooms, Bath-Rooms, Kitchen, Servants' Quarters and Grass Tennis Court.
Apply to
CHUNG CHI NAM,
YAN CHAI & F. INSURANCE CO., LTD.
Hongkong, March 1, 1907. 351

To Let.

A HOUSE in KNOTSFORD TERRACE, KOWLOON.
Apply to
THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT AND AGENCY CO., LTD.
Hongkong, March 1, 1906. 20

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KING EDWARD HOTEL.

A HIGH-CLASS PRIVATE HOTEL.
Ladies' Afternoon Tea Rooms.
Private Bar and Billiard Rooms.
Hot and Cold Water throughout.
Electrically Lighted.
Electric Fans (if required).
Electric Passenger Elevator to each Floor.
Table D'Hôte at Separate Tables.
TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS: "VICTORIA," Hongkong.
For terms, &c., apply to the
MANAGER.
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THE BEST BILLIARD TABLES IN THE COLONY ARE AT
THE KOWLOON HOTEL,
CABLE ADDRESS "CHEE" KOWLOON.

A High-class Tourist's Hotel under American Management—First-class Cuisine, Beautiful Garden.
MODERATE CHARGES.
J. W. OSBORNE,
Proprietor and Manager.
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VICTORIA HOTEL,
TELEGRAMS: VICTORIA, SHAMHUN, SHAMHUN, CANTON.
ON THE BATTERY CONVENTION.
F. E. DE BEAUREPAIRE, Manager.

MACAO HOTEL,
TELEGRAMS: FARMER, MACAO, CHINA.
In the Centre of Praya Grand.

BOTH Hotels Electrically Lighted and under Experienced European Management.
Every Comfort and Convenience for Residents and Tourists.
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Capt. T. AUSTIN, Manager.
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the tempo and expectant faces of the people that Simmonds was, behind me, willing me with all his might. I tried my best to imagine what he wanted, but nothing suggested itself. I felt ashamed and miserable then. I believed that the hour of my disgrace was come, and that in another moment I should go out of that place disgraced. I ought to be ashamed to confess it, but my next thought was, not how I could win the compassion of kindly hearts by going out humbly and in sorrow for my misdoings, but how I could go out most sensationally and spectacularly.
There was a rusty and empty old revolver lying on the table, among the "properties" employed in the performance. On May-day, two or three weeks before, there had been a celebration by the schools, and I had had a quarrel with a big boy who was the school bully, and I had not come out of it with credit. That boy was now seated in the middle of the house, half-way down the main aisle. I crept stealthily and impressively toward the table, with a dull and murderous scowl on my face copied from a popular romance, seized the revolver suddenly, flourished it, and shouted the bully's name, jumped off the platform, and made a rush for him and chased him out of the house before the excited people could interfere to save him. There was a storm of applause, and the imagination, addressing the house, said, most impressively:
"That you may know how really remarkable this is, and how wonderfully dramatic a subject we have in this boy, I assure you that without a single spoken word to guide him he has carried out what I mentally commanded him to do to the minutest detail. I could have stopped him at a moment in his vengeful career by a mere exertion of my will; therefore the poor fellow who has escaped was at no time in danger."
So I was not in danger. I returned to the platform a hero, and happier than I have ever been in this world since. As regards mental suggestion, my fears of it were gone. I judged that in case I failed to guess what the professor might be willing me to do, I could count on putting up something that would answer just as well. I was right, and exhibitions of unspoken suggestion became a favourite with the public. Whenever I perceived that I was being willing to do something I got up and did something—anything that occurred to me—and the magician, not being a fool, always ridiculed it. When the people asked me, "How can you tell what he is willing you to do?" I said, "It's just as easy," and they always said, admiringly, "Well, it beats me how you can do it."

HALF OF A POSSIBILITY.
A prominent lawyer who formerly practised at the bar of Kansas City took of a funny incident in a Court there during a trial in which a certain young doctor was called as witness.
Counsel for the other side in cross-examining the youthful medico gave utterance to several sarcastic remarks tending to throw doubt upon the ability of anyone as a man.
One of the questions was: "You are cutely familiar with the symptoms of concussion of the brain?"
"I am."
"Then," continued the cross-examiner, "suppose my learned friend, Mr. Taylor, and myself were to hang our heads together, should we get concussion of the brain?"
"Your learned friend," Mr. Taylor, might," suggested the young physician.

THE FORMOSAN LOTTERY.

Farical Situation.

According to a Tokyo dispatch, the sales of Formosan lottery tickets in Tokyo have considerably increased of late. Even some of the higher officials are known to be investing in these tickets. The authorities of the Tokyo Chihō Saibansho, considering that this evil state of affairs can no longer be ignored, have been searching for the agents of the tickets. Early on Monday (March 10) Judges Kawashima, Owaki, Tsuji and Hamada, and Procurator Mitsuhashi searched several houses in the city, and as the result of their investigations five arrests were made on Sunday and Monday. It is expected that about ten more arrests will be made shortly.
Mr. Kato Muneyoshi, Vice-President of the 78th Bank of Huchiji, was arrested on Sunday morning on a charge of having purchased Formosan lottery tickets. Three other men in Tokyo have given themselves up to the authorities, confessing that they had purchased lottery tickets—Japan Chronicle.
The Japanese army is to have a "new 7th lot." Colonel Masami Yano, the director of its Clothing Department, has been touring Australia. He is studying the working of the woolen industry in the Commonwealth. It is, he says, the intention of the Japanese Government to import large quantities of wool for the manufacture of army clothing. While the feature of the Japanese among the Australians included the Japanese among the "undesirable coloured aliens" that must needs be kept out of the Commonwealth by the most drastic legislation, they are quite ready to take the money of the "little brown men" for goods supplied, says a London paper.

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His Britannic Majesty's Ships on the China Station.

Name.	Class.	Tons.	Gun.	H.P.	Captain.	Last reports.
Alcester	despatch-boat	1700	18	3000	Comdr. E. La T. Leatham	Hongkong
Astrea	cruiser, 2nd class	4380	10	9000	Captain S. L. Vaughan Lee	Shanghai
Brinsford	river gunboat	710	2	900	Lieut.-Comdr. Davidson	Yangtze
Brimstone	river gunboat	710	2	900	Lieut.-Comdr. B. minor	Hongkong
Cherub	water tank and tug	1070	6	1400	Comdr. B. L. Majendri	Hongkong
Clio	torpedo boat destroyer	890	—	390	Comdr. H. D. Wilkin, D.S.O.	Hongkong
Fame	cruiser, 2nd class	1070	6	1400	Lieut.-Comdr. Hughes	Hongkong
Flora	torpedo boat destroyer	4980	10	7000	Capt. Grant Dalton	Hongkong
Handy	torpedo boat destroyer	275	6	4000	Lieut.-Comdr. Cox	Wellfleet
Harrier	torpedo boat destroyer	275	6	4000	Lieut.-Comdr. Henniker Heaton	Wellfleet
James	cruiser, 1st class	280	6	3800	Lieut.-Comdr. W. H. Darwall	Shanghai
King Alfred	cruiser, 1st class	9000	14	22,000	Capt. De Horsey	Hongkong
Kinsale	river gunboat	14,000	14	30,000	Capt. Cecil F. Thursby, R.N.	Yangtze
Monmouth	cruiser, 1st class	618	4	1800	Lieut.-Comdr. E. V. R. Degman	Hongkong
Moon	river gunboat	120	2	800	Capt. A. J. Tuke	West River
Moon	torpedo boat destroyer	360	6	6300	Lieut.-Comdr. J. Kiddie	Wellfleet
Phonoth	cruiser	2400	—	—	Capt. Woolhouse	Wellfleet
Ramphor	surveying-vessel	—	—	—	Comdr. C. E. Moore	Hongkong
Robin	river gunboat	85	2	240	Lieut.-Comdr. C. O. Walcott	West River
Sandpiper	river gunboat	85	2	240	Lieut.-Comdr. H. T. Atty	Yangtze
Snipe	river gunboat	85	2	240	Capt. C. J. Byres	Hongkong
Snipe	cruiser	250	6	6500	Commodore Williams	Yangtze
Taka	torpedo boat destroyer	450	6	—	Lieut.-Comdr. West	Shanghai
Takar	river gunboat	160	2	800	Lieut.-Comdr. Stevenson	Wellfleet
Taka	river gunboat	160	2	800	Comdr. R. W. Glennie	Wellfleet
Thistle	torpedo boat destroyer	355	6	6300	Lieut.-Comdr. O. E. L. Thomas	Wellfleet
Thistle	surveying ship	620	—	—	Lieut.-Comdr. G. B. Spicer-Simon	Upper Yangtze
Whiting	torpedo boat destroyer	360	6	6300	Lieut.-Comdr. C. W. Wright-on	Upper Yangtze
Whiting	river gunboat	150	2	500	Lieut.-Com. Jno. F. Knox	Upper Yangtze
Woodcock	river gunboat	150	2	500		
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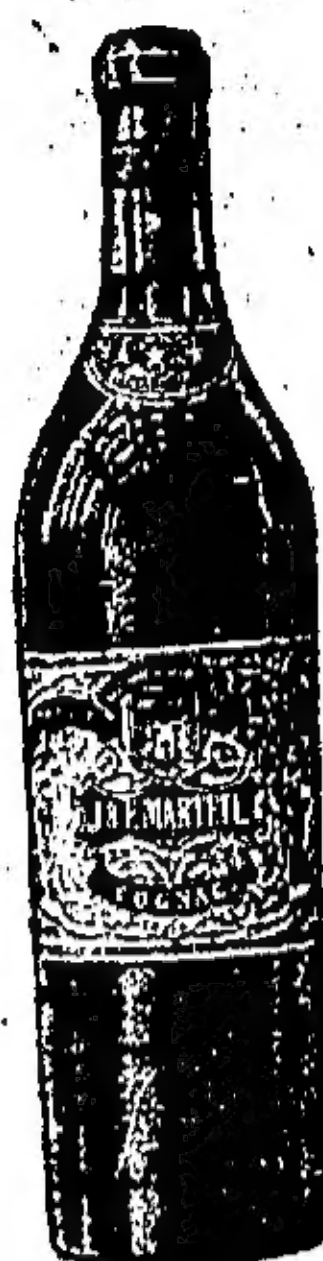
Foreign Men-of-war on the China and Japan Station.

Name.	Flag and Description.	Tons.	Guns.	H.P.	Captains.	
Kaiser Franz Josef Paucher	Austro-Hungarian cruiser	4800 1880	18 12	9000 6000	Capt. Ferdinand Bublly Captain E. Koerber	Hongkong Singapore
Adouron	French armoured cruiser	2705	10	1700	Lieut. Forre	Hai Phong
Adour	French receiving-ship	—	—	—	Lieut. Merle	Hai Phong
Alger	French cruiser	3000	—	—	Capt. Fourrier	Saigon
Alcote	French torpedo-boat	—	—	—	Commander Kephuel	Cape St. James
Argus	French gunboat	193	—	500	Lieut. Jeanne	Canton
Caronde	French gunboat	—	—	160	Lieut. Hne	Saigon
Deidde	French gunboat	645	10	1000	Lieut. L'Est	Changhai
Delesteaux.	French cruiser	11,242	14	6500	Capt. Trecon	Hongkong
Decartes	French cruiser	3946	—	—	Comdr. Anst	Kienlung
Dupetit-Thouars	French armoured cruiser	10,014	38	20,000	Lieut. Coquilin	Saigon
Estrugon	French sub-marine	303	7	6300	Lieut. Garrea	Hongkong
Francisque	French destroyer	308	7	303	Lieut. Saint-Seine	Saigon
Frondo	French cruiser	9376	38	20,200	Captain Ridoax	Saigon
Guyard	French cruiser	9700	—	—	Lieut. Porter	Yokohama
Guchon	French gunboat	290	6	308	Lieut. Corneier	Saigon
Henri Rylere	French gunboat	307	7	800	Comdr. Sagot-Davaux	Hai Phong
Jacquin	French destroyer	1250	6	2200	Commander Simon	Saigon
Javeline	French cruiser	—	—	—	Lieut. Armbrester	Saigon
Kersaint	French sub-marine	9700	12	19,600	Capt. Martel	Saigon
Lyon	French cruiser	307	6	800	Lieut. du Chemin	Saigon
Montcalm	French destroyer	—	—	—	Capt. Grullier	Chongking
Mosopot	French gunboat	—	—	—	Lieut. Laviers	Tongku
Olry	French gunboat	350	7	500	Lieut. de Rebusch Werth	Hongkong
Poibo	French torpedo-boat	—	—	—	Lieut. Glorieux	Saigon
Pistolot	French sub-marine	—	—	—	Lt. Vincent de Brichigan	Saigon
Portee	French torpedo boat	—	—	—	Reserve	Hongkong
Rapier	French battleship	9437	6	6071	Lieut. Lehall	Saigon
Redonville	French destroyer	1791	10	1700	Capt. Dupuy	Saigon
Sabre	French gunboat	298	6	—	Capt. Targuem	Hongkong
Styr	French gunboat	1980	23	4560	Lieut. Brugnon	Hongkong
Tekiang	French destroyer	6180	23	4560	Captain Wilkins	Kiautschow
Talon	French battleship (reserve)	123	7	800	Comdr. Baron von M. H. Hensen	Tientsin
Vauban	French gunboat	—	—	—	Comdr. Klose	Hongkong
Vigilante	French gunboat	—	—	—	Capt. Wilhelmshaven	Tientsin
First Blumarch	German flag-ship	11,000	38	14,900	Comdr. Bolken	Bangkok
Ilia	German gunboat	1000	10	1800	Comdr. Lubbert	Taiwan
Jaguar	German gunboat	900	10	1800	Capt. Witschel	Hongkong
Leipzig	German gunboat	4000	—	—	Capt. Lieut. Wing-Muller	Taiwan
Luchs	German gunboat	850	10	1344	Capt. Lieut. Walter	Taiwan
Möwe	German gunboat	1009	8	875	Comdr. Abeken	Japan
Niebla	German cruiser	—	—	—	Capt. Lieut. Giebler	Canton
S.	German torpedo-boat	—	—	—	Capt. Lieut. von Bulow	Yangtze River
Taku	German torpedo-boat	900	10	1300	Capt. Lieut. Ferbon	Yangtze River
Tiger	German gunboat	173	5	1800	Capt. Marcones	Saigon
Tsingtau	German gunboat	—	—	—	Captain Borne Ricci	Shanghai
Vaterland	German gunboat	—	—	—	Captain Presbitero	Shanghai
Vorwaer	German gunboat	—	—	—	Capt. Pescetto	Shanghai
		—	—	—	Baren de Saint Pierre	Hongkong
Calabria	Italian cruiser	3900	—	—	Captain d'Antes Ribeiro	Manila
Elba	Italian cruiser	2500	19	7471	Captain Carvalho	Manila
Marco Polo	Italian cruiser	3600	—	—	Ensign A. K. Shoup	Philippines
Puglia	Italian cruiser	2498	20	7000	Lieut. Woodward	Japan
Vesuvio	Italian cruiser	2145	—	—	Capt. Bargeant	Manila
Adamastor	Portuguese cruiser	1980	14	4000	Lieut. Irwin	Hongkong
Rio Lima	Portuguese gunboat	723	—	—	Ensign Guy Wilcock	Canton
	U. S. gunboat	—	—	—	Commander Alex. Sharp	Manila
Arsay	U. S. torpedo-boat destroyer	420	7	8600	Lieut. E. P. Jessop	Manila
Bainbridge	U. S. cruiser	4600	—	—	Comdr. J. M. Robinson	Manila
Baltimore	U. S. cruiser	420	7	8000	Capt. S. Stanton	Philippines
Barry	U. S. gunboat	690	10	2008	Comdr. O. J. Boush	Philippines
Cadiz	U. S. gunboat	9100	15	4500	Reserve	Manila
Chattanooga	U. S. cruiser	420	7	8000	Lt.-Comdr. H. Rodman	Manila
Chamney	U. S. torpedo-boat destroyer	8213	19	7850	Capt. T. O. McLean	Philippines
Cincinnati	U. S. cruiser	13,600	—	—	Capt. B. R. Ingersell	Manila
Colorado	U. S. battleship	—	—	—	Comdr. W. F. Coffin	Manila
Concord	U. S. gunboat	420	7	8000	Captain Logan	Yokohama
Dale	U. S. torpedo-boat destroyer	420	7	8000	Ensign J. W. Hayward	Canton
Decatur	U. S. gunboat	650	10	6900	Ensign A. B. Reed	Hongkong
Elcano	U. S. gunboat	13,300	—	—	Comdr. Steinhilf	Manila
Pennsylvania	U. S. battleship	13,600	—	—	Lieut. O. S. Train	Manila
Maryland	U. S. battleship	—	—	—	Comdr. J. O. Gilmore	Hongkong
Monadnock	U. S. monitor	3980	6	5600	Capt. F. E. Fletcher	Manila
*Ohio	U. S. battleship	12,000	—	—	Capt. Arnold	Manila
Pampanga	U. S. gunboat	801	3	350	Lieut. F. L. Finney	Manila
Yarcon	U. S. gunboat	201	3	350	Comdr. W. L. Rodgers	Manila
Pathfinder	U. S. gunboat	693	—	—	Captain Franklin J. Drake	Manila
Quinos	U. S. gunboat	4000	14	—	—	—
Ralobow	U. S. cruiser	3218	18	7500	—	—
Raleigh	U. S. flag-ship	13,500	—	—	—	—
West Virginia	U. S. gunboat	347	3	500	—	—
Vincennes	U. S. gunboat	3	1894	—	—	—
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MARRIAGE.

HAY-BRIGHTON.—On March 10, at Holy Trinity Cathedral, Shanghai, by the Rev. A. J. Walker, M.A., CHARLES HENRY HAY, eldest son of Charles Hay, Esq., of Dulwich, England, to FLORENCE EVELYN BRIGHTON, only daughter of the late Charles Richard Brighton, Esq., of London.

DEATH.

CARTER.—On March 18, at Shanghai General Hospital, WILLIAM JOHN BLAYLOCK CARTER, aged 39 years.

MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW.

Miscellaneous.
Goods per Zieten undelivered after this date subject to rent.
Goods per America Mary undelivered after this date subject to rent.
Goods per Rodanoria undelivered after this date subject to rent.

General Memoranda.

SATURDAY, March 23.—
Noon—Meeting of Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Co., Ltd., at Messrs Shawan, Tones & Co.'s Office.

SUNDAY, March 24.—
Goods per Japan not cleared at 4 p.m. on this date subject to rent.
Goods per Persia undelivered after this date subject to rent.

MONDAY, March 25.—
11 a.m.—Meeting of Hongkong Land Investment & Agency Co., Ltd., at Messrs Shawan, Tones & Co.'s Office.
12 p.m.—Meeting of Hongkong Land Investment & Agency Co., Ltd., at Messrs Shawan, Tones & Co.'s Office.
Noon—Auction of Building Material on the Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co.'s Premises.
2.30 p.m.—Auction of Household Furniture, at No. 28, Wong Nai Chung Road.
2.30 p.m.—Auction of Household Furniture, at No. 10, Mountain View, the Peak.

TUESDAY, March 26.—
Noon—Auction of Leasehold Property at Mr Geo. P. Lammer's Sale Room.

WEDNESDAY, March 27.—
Noon—Auction of Triple Expansion Marine Engine, at Kwong Sing Loong's Boiler Yard, Tai Kok Tsui.
Noon—Auction of Household Furniture, at No. 10, Queen's Garden, Peak Road.

THURSDAY, March 28.—
11.30 a.m.—Meeting of China Sugar Refining Co., Ltd., at Messrs Jardine, Matheson & Co.'s Office.
12.15 p.m.—Meeting of Luxon Sugar Refining Co., Ltd., at Messrs Jardine, Matheson & Co.'s Office.
2.30 p.m.—Meeting of National Bank of China, Ltd., at Messrs Jardine, Matheson & Co.'s Office.

FRIDAY, March 29.—
Transfer Books of China Traders' Insurance Co., Ltd., close from this date to 13th April inclusive.

TUESDAY, April 2.—
11.30 a.m.—Meeting of Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd., at Messrs Jardine, Matheson & Co.'s Office.
3 p.m.—Auction of Leasehold Properties at Mr Geo. P. Lammer's Sale Room.

The China Mail

HONGKONG, THURSDAY, MARCH 21, 1907.

VOLUNTEER RESERVE ASSOCIATION.

His Excellency the Governor must have felt considerable gratification at the large attendance at the annual meeting of the Volunteer Reserve Association. He has taken such a pronounced personal interest in the Association that the steady increase in numbers must fill him with satisfaction. The figures quoted at the meeting showed that the strength of the Association had grown from 76 in 1905 to over 251. This is a very notable increase. But, as Sir Henry Berkeley pointed out, what was still more satisfactory was the all round improvement in shooting. It would be comparatively easy to build up a large membership for an Association which makes next to no demand upon those who join, but to get them to take a live interest in it by making themselves proficient in the use of the rifle is another matter. The presentation of a cup by the Governor had the effect of largely increasing the interest of members in shooting and that it had also had the effect of bringing out latent talent was shown by the fact that the first three competitors had learned to shoot since they joined the Association. Reference was made, both by His Excellency and Sir Henry Berkeley, to the innovation of shooting at vanishing targets in connection with which the CHINA MAIL had given a prize. This form of competition is admittedly one of the most valuable for men who wish to qualify themselves to shoot well under conditions which would prevail in actual warfare. Shooting at a fixed target is undoubtedly excellent practice and should be encouraged as much as possible but the use of the vanishing target is perhaps of still greater importance. The enthusiasm which has been shown in connection with the various competitions is an excellent augury for the future. If Lord Roberts and those who are associated with him in insisting that it is the inherent duty of every able-bodied man to qualify himself for the protection of his country required an object lesson it would be found in Hongkong. The male citizens here have recognised their duty and have set an example which might well be followed in every other part of the King's dominions.

The news contained in our special cable with regard to the proposals to be submitted by the Russian Government to the Dama during the present session will be read with interest, more particularly with respect to the legislation it is sought to enact concerning Russia's interests in the Far East. The abolition of free ports means that Vladivostok will cease to become a free port, and in all probability heavy imports will be levied on all imports. Japan, perhaps more than any other nation, will feel the effect of this legislation, for the trade between Japan and Vladivostok has, according to all reports from the north, been advancing with leaps and bounds since the conclusion of the war. Geographically, Japan has a great advantage over other nations with regard to Vladivostok, for her coast trading vessels can make the voyage across from her commercial centres to Russia's port in very short time. The construction of the railway from the Trans-Baikal line to Khabarovka is the resurrection of an old scheme. Originally it was intended to build a line from Vladivostok to Lake Baikal, but while the work of construction from Vladivostok to Khabarovka (which, by the way, is situated near the junction of the rivers Amur and Onon), just outside Manchuria, and about 400 miles north of Vladivostok) was being carried on, the idea of making a short cut across Manchuria was conceived and acted upon, with results which are still fresh in the minds of all. The "All Russian" line, along the banks of the Amur, is what Premier Stolypin is now aiming at, presumably along the route already marked on most modern maps.

The vagaries of exchange are ever a matter of interest for residents, and the sudden drop which has been experienced during the past few days will be welcomed by a large section of the community, particularly those who have been bemoaning the cheapness of gold. It is worth noting that in March and April the dollar is usually low. Bedrock was reached last year during the first fortnight in March when the dollar was quoted at 2s. 0½d; in 1905 the lowest quotation was in the last week of March and the first week in April—1s. 10½d. Exchange seems to be following much the same course this year, for, with the exception of a slight rise towards the end of January and early part of February, the tendency has been steadily downward. The year opened with exchange on demand at 2s. 3½d. A rise occurred by the 4th, but eight days later the quotation was 2s. 3d. To the end of the month there was a steady drop, and January closed with exchange at 2s. 2½d. February commenced with a slight rise, 2s. 2 15-16d. being reached on the 4th. There was little change throughout the month, the lowest quotation—2s. 2 11-16d.—being attained on the 26th, but two days later there was an increase of ½d. March has so far been characterised by the accumulation of the fall. Opening with 2s. 2 13-16d. it dropped to 1-16d., remained stationary until the 5th, and then the descent began. Between the 12th and the 14th a decline of 3-16d. was registered, and by the 16th another 3-16d. had been lopped off. On the 19th 2s. 1 13-16d. had been reached, yesterday the quotation was 2s. 1 9-16d., and to-day a further drop to 2s. 1½d. occurred, a decline of 1½d. since the 5th of the month. The quotation is the lowest since August last year, when after remaining comparatively steady throughout June and July the sensational rise commenced, which stopped when 2s. 3½d. had been passed. Since the depression in trade has been credited to the high value of the dollar it is to be hoped that now it is descending commercial prospects will improve.

Yesterday we referred editorially to the company-promoting mania in Japan. An exchange just to hand has the interesting statement that "in no period during the past forty years have the Japanese people as a whole been more possessed by the gambling and speculative spirit than during the last

few months. The excitement—subdued as it was for the most part—that prevailed while the war was in progress had barely subsided and the people had hardly begun to hanker after some new sensation when the "boom" in shares was started. The bait was laid at an opportune moment; it was caught and swallowed with avidity, and some of the disastrous results are now becoming apparent. Perceiving the popular tendency, various schemes quickly sprang up in one form and another for the encouragement of the gambling spirit, which has been forced up to fever-pitch. The mania has spread to all parts of the country and seems to be affecting not only the poorer classes of the big cities but the people of the country districts, who have no hesitation in taking heavy risks for the prospective chance of getting rich quickly and with ease. Indeed, the prophesying tendency is so general and widespread that it threatens to sweep away the thrifty habits of the people which have been fostered so assiduously for many years past. It is now being realised that unless efforts are speedily made to turn the tide in the other direction this gambling spirit amongst the industrial classes will prove a very serious drawback in the solution of Japan's economic problem. This is precisely the sort of thing that occurred in England in the early days of company floating, and if English history is to be repeated in Japan the day is not far distant when a crisis will be reached which will plunge thousands in Japan in financial ruin. Parliamentary interference will be necessitated, as it was necessitated in England after the famous crisis of 1866 when the Companies' Amendment Act of 1867 was passed. The mania that took possession of the people between 1862 and 1864 was similar to that now being witnessed in Japan, and though the Old Country was in a far more healthy state than Japan is to-day it took her considerable time to pull through. The crisis of the late sixties led on to the memorable decade of depression in the seventies, when during 1874 and 1879 the total nominal share capital of companies registered amounted to only £340,000,000 but a fifth of the amount recorded within a similar period of years subsequently. Suspicion and want of confidence in anything savouring of joint stock tightened money, and trade was almost at a standstill. In 1880 there was a semi-recovery, but it was a spasm of two years only, depression again fastening its grip on the neck of trade and commerce until the 1893 boom in "Kafir" mining shares caused a great movement in investment stocks. That year a record of share capital was registered, viz., £363,781,594, and the boom continued for two years when another drift downwards brought in the 1895 depression. The invitation of capital by large commercial houses in 1895-6 witnessed a surprising response and the hazardous risks of mining were replaced by steady speculation in commercial concerns. Generally speaking since that period there has been confidence in the market, though one or two large failures have created temporary panics, and so far as can be seen the effects of the early speculation mania has worn off. If Japan, at this particular juncture in her history, is to go through a similar crisis as that which first burst up the company-floating fever in England it will take her considerably longer to recover unless her recuperative powers are greater than supposed. Her poverty is intensified by her obligations to her foreign creditors, and only needs bad seasons to plunge her into financial chaos that will cripple her for many years.

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Berlin under the name and style of the "German Orient Syndicate" for the purpose of promoting and extending German commercial interests in the Near and Far East, and of facilitating and safeguarding German commercial relations with those parts of the world. Agencies are to be established at Belgrade, Bucharest, Sofia, Constantinople, and branches at Smyrna, Salonika and Adrianople. A large number of firms are said to be supporting the enterprise.

DO NOT CROWD THE SEASON.

THE first warm days of spring bring with them a desire to get out and enjoy the exhilarating air and sunshine. Children that have been huddled up all winter are brought out and you wonder where they all came from. The heavy winter clothing is thrown aside, a cold wave comes and influenza is prevalent. Colds at this season are even more dangerous than in mid-winter, as there is much more danger of pneumonia. Take Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, however, and you will have nothing to fear. It always cures, and counteracts any tendency of a cold to result in pneumonia. For sale by all chemists and storekeepers.

CHINESE SCHOOLS.

Education in South China.

(From Our Correspondent.)

One of the true signs that China is really awakening from her sleep of centuries is that strenuous efforts are being made by the officials to open schools modelled after western learning, while the books of Confucius hold no longer the venerated place they held at one time. No doubt these schools are often very embryonic in their efforts at imparting a western education to the Chinese youth and though it may even be affirmed that there is no system in conducting such schools, still the thin edge of the wedge of western education has entered the thought of the Chinese, and the outcome will be good on the whole. In some respects the girls' schools started in Canton may have been unwise and premature, and hence came to a speedy close. It is said that even Minister Wu declares that Chinese girls want to go faster than they are able to go, beyond the limit of European or American girls, but we can all rejoice in the general trend of the Chinese mind.

Being recently in the District city of San Hing, where there is a Government school of some 20 odd boys, I inquired how the money was raised to support the school. A part of the funds comes, I was told, from voluntary subscription, but the greater part comes from the rent of shops which had been closed by the Government on one pretext or another—some on the accusation that robbers have been harboured—and still another part comes from the fines imposed upon partners by the Mandarins for certain misdemeanours, just or otherwise. The writer could not help feeling that this was rather an unsavoury method of raising funds for supporting the schools, as it gives the officials another opportunity of squeezing from certain people who may be blessed with considerable of this world's goods. The Chinese look upon the whole scheme of raising revenue for the schools as somewhat illogical.

One must, however, not suppose that the Chinese youth are all eager to avail themselves of the opportunities offered in the Government schools. Alas! this is not the case and such a city as Hongkong, with a population of 10,000 with its suburbs, sends only about one dozen boys to the school established by the Mandarins. In the Chikhai city, which is about forty miles west of Hsiao, some of the Chinese youths would not attend the new school, even though they were flogged by the authorities. The real trouble with many of the schools here is the system adopted, or rather the lack of system, and aspiring young men see nothing definite before them to which they can attach. No doubt some officials have opened their schools merely because they were ordered to do so by those higher in authority, and hence it need not be surprising when occasionally no scholars are found or little advance is being made.

Time will regulate these schools and a better system of school Government and instruction will be adopted. Perfection cannot be attained in a day, but improvement will follow. Mission schools thus far lead in the quality and efficiency of the instruction imparted, but there is no reason to suppose it will always be so. A good thing if the methods of the Mission schools were more closely followed by the Chinese Government schools.

The Canadian Pacific Mail of the 14th February was delivered in London on the 18th March.

Consul Shima performed the opening ceremony of the Japanese Consulate at Kiro on the 10th inst.

The Second Division of the Feiyang Army stationed at Xung-ping-fu has proceeded to the North to act as the Manchurian Garrison.

C. H. Kane has been committed for trial on a charge of stealing 100 cases of Cigarettes. Sir Henry Berkeley, K.C., appeared for the prosecution yesterday.

There is serious conflict between the merchants and the literati concerning mines in Shansi Province, and an outbreak is feared. The Governor has therefore urgently wired to the Waiwupu for advice.

The "Tambo Maru," which arrived yesterday from England, brought out new life for the Hongkong Hotel. For some time past bricklayers and carpenters have been at work in the hotel preparing for the installation, and the life should be running before many weeks are past.

A big fire raged on February 28, at the village of Pin-tan, one of the suburbs of Saigon. About half the village was consumed. The fire arose from a lighted candle that had been placed on a grave for some Buddhist ceremony. The plank partition of a neighbouring stable caught fire and the flames spread extensively, about eighty houses being destroyed. Three hundred persons, mostly Chinese, were rendered homeless. The damage done is set down at \$25,000.

The Nine Biot.

News was received in Shanghai on March 14 of a riot at Ningpo, in which the Methodist Mission premises were said to have been attacked and one building destroyed at So-shun. (7) Two or three of the missionaries are reported to have been killed. The rioters in considerable numbers are now marching on So-shun city, pillaging on their way. There are about fifteen mission churches in this district and the missionaries are said to be going to do as the soldiers have revolted and are therefore not giving their assistance. Further particulars are lacking.

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BY TELEGRAPH. BY TELEGRAPH.

THE RUSSIAN DUMA.

GOVERNMENT'S PROGRAMME.

Russian Interests in the East.

(Exclusive Service, supplied by Reuters, via Bombay.)

London, March 20.

The Russian Duma has assembled, the opening ceremony being held in the Hall of Nobility.

M. Stolypin, the Prime Minister, in his ministerial declaration to the members, dealt with the Government's programme and enumerated a series of projected reforms which it was proposed to consider during the current session.

The declaration constitutes a broad, liberal programme and includes the abolition of exile without a trial.

Bills will be introduced for the protection of Russian interests in the Far East by the abolition of free ports and by the construction of a railway through Russian territory connecting the Trans-Baikal line with Habarovsk (Khabarovsk).

All this, the Premier pointed out, would necessitate fresh taxation, and among other sources from which revenue would be drawn the Government proposed to impose an income tax.

THE OPIUM QUESTION.

GREAT BRITAIN'S ATTITUDE.

Ready to Investigate.

(From Our Special Correspondent.)

London, March 21.

Speaking in the House of Commons last night Mr. Russell, M.P., announced that the Government had informed America that Great Britain was willing to co-operate in appointing a joint commission to investigate the opium question so far as it concerned East Asia.

On the other hand if the other Powers preferred a conference Great Britain would agree.

[REUTERS'S SERVICE.]

MENTIONED IN PARLIAMENT.

London, March 19.

At the second reading of the Appropriation Bill, Mr. T. Taylor drew attention to the opium traffic in the colonies, particularly to Hongkong.

Mr. Churchill said that the determination of Chinese Government to effect a stupendous moral reform in the condition of the people, involved an imperative mandate from all other countries to aid the movement.

Lord Elgin is in consultation with the India Office and will watch every opportunity to bring the legislation of the Colonies more in harmony with the overwhelming opinion of the House, and with our duty as a civilizing power.

Mr. Morley, in reply to Mr. Ellis, said that the views of the Government of India on the opium traffic had just arrived, and were under consideration.

The discussion which the Chinese Government invited would be commenced with all dispatch, and he was confident of a satisfactory result.

RAVING.

The Lincolnshire Handicap.

London, March 19.

The Lincolnshire Handicap was won by Ob. Kaffir Chief was second and Redcliffe third.

THE WRECK OF THE "JEBBA."

London, March 19.

The mails and specie have been landed from the "Jebba."

Plague has broken out amongst the famine-stricken population of Kiangpoh and is causing every day numerous deaths. General Yin Chang has requested the Viceroy of Nanking to send physicians and medicines.

Order has been restored in the district situated between the two killed missionaries are not Europeans, but Chinese. The Waiwupu has, at the instance of the French Minister, ordered the Governor of Obkhang to afford the Roman Catholic Mission the utmost protection.

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SHANGHAI COUNCIL.

RATEPAYERS' MEETING.

(From Our Correspondent.)

Shanghai, March 21.

The Ratepayers' meeting held yesterday was largely attended, 726 votes being represented.

All the resolutions submitted by the Council were passed practically unanimously, whilst of the resolutions proposed by the ratepayers one was carried, another which was approved on a show of hands was defeated in a ballot, and a third was rejected.

SHANGHAI RIOTS.

CHINA ADMITS LIABILITY.

(From Our Correspondent.)

Shanghai, March 21.

Negotiations regarding the Shanghai Riots of 1906 have been proceeding between the British Minister, Sir John Jordan and the Waiwupu.

The Waiwupu has acknowledged that China is under an obligation to pay an indemnity to British sufferers from the riots and has ordered the Shanghai Taotai to arrange details regarding the amount.

The Taotai has requested to be allowed to resign but Viceroy Tuan Fang has practically refused to accept his resignation.

JAPAN'S FINANCIAL CRISIS.

SHARES STILL DECLINING.

(From Our Correspondent.)

Tokyo, March 21.

The depression on the local share market still continues and shares are further declining.

THE FORMOSA LOTTERY.

TEMPORARILY SUSPENDED.

(From Our Correspondent.)

Tokyo, March 21.

As a result of the financial depression the Formosa Lottery has been temporarily suspended.

General Booth in Japan.

With the co-operation of Count Okuma, Marquis Oyama and other distinguished personages, Mr. Onaka, the Mayor of Tokyo, is making preparations to welcome General Booth, the founder of the Salvation Army, on his visit to Tokyo. At the instance of Baron Kiyotomi, ex-Minister of Justice, the police and prison authorities are also preparing a reception in honour of the General in recognition of the labours of the Salvation Army among the destitute and criminal classes. It is of interest to note that the Buddhists are prepared to heartily join with the Christians in welcoming the General. At Osaka, the Municipal authorities, philanthropic bodies, schools, and labour organisations are arranging receptions.

Biking through Manchuria.

The German Minister has communicated to the Waiwupu that a German is going to make a bicycle tour from Manchuria to Siberia and has asked for the necessary protection. The Waiwupu has replied that as there are many Hungghuz in the eastern part of Manchuria it is advisable that he shall take his route through the Mongolian plain. Again, the Waiwupu, recognising that protection in Mongolia is not easy, has advised him to travel through Mukden and Heilungkiang.

The Royal Yacht Club's Pavilion.

The work of reclaiming the site for the pavilion of the Royal Hongkong Yacht Club is proceeding apace. The sea wall is being built and the filling in is almost completed. It should not be long before the buildings are commenced, then the Yacht Club might well begin to believe it has a stake in the country. However, the club is now more or less standing still for further developments to be taken up. Every member of the club should take at least one. The plans of the proposed Club House are in the hands of the Club's courteous Secretary, Mr. Percy Smith, who will be pleased to show them to anyone.

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A FORGED CHEQUE.

Japanese Caught at the Bank.

A Japanese boy, employed by Lieut. Commander Lloyd-Thomas, on H.M.S. "Japus," presented a cheque for \$200 at the bank yesterday about 11.15 a.m., purporting to be signed by his master.

On being compared with the bank books it was discovered to be a forgery, and Lieut. Commander Lloyd-Thomas was sent for and the Japanese detained. On arrival at the bank Lieut. Commander Lloyd-Thomas repudiated the signature and the Japanese was taken to the police station, being charged with forgery before Mr. C. D. Melbourne, this morning. He was committed for trial.

HONGKONG ICE COMPANY.

Extraordinary General Meeting.

An extraordinary general meeting of the Hongkong Ice Company was held at 12.30 to consider certain formal resolutions. The Hon. Mr. W. J. Gresson, was in the chair and there were also present: Messrs. W. Parlane, J. Barton, A. Rodger, A. Brooke-Smith, C. W. May, C. H. Ross, Ho Eok, Lo Cheung Shui, T. S. Forrest and R. G. Munro (Secretary).

Mr. Barton proposed the first resolution and Mr. Ho Eok seconded; thereupon it was carried. The second resolution was proposed by Mr. Brooke-Smith and seconded by Mr. Rodger, also being carried. Both resolutions have been published during the past few days.

THE FLOUR CASE.

More Argument Wanted.

On March 5 an action was commenced in the Original Jurisdiction of the Supreme Court before His Lordship Sir Francis Piggott (Chief Justice) with regard to certain claims made against the Kwong Yik Wo (in bankruptcy) in connection with certain bags of flour.

The parties interested were:—The Fat Koo firm and the Hung Sheng firm (plaintiffs), Chan Wai Chi (defendant), the Official Receiver (as Trustee in the bankruptcy of the Kwong Yik Wo), the Yan On Marine and Fire Insurance Company, Limited, and Chan Koo, (claimants).

The Hon. Mr. H. E. Pollock, K.C., appeared for the Fat Koo firm and the Hung Sheng firm; Sir Henry Berkeley, K.C., appeared for the Yan On Insurance Company, and the plaintiffs on the issue; Mr. M. W. Slade appeared for Chan Wai Chi; and Mr. H. G. Calhoun appeared for Chan Koo. The Official Receiver was unrepresented.

The plaintiffs pleaded that they had lent the Kwong Yik Wo sums of money amounting to \$80,000, in consideration for which charges on certain bags of flour, amounting to \$2,000 bags, were given. The flour—portion of it—had since been removed from the godowns without the knowledge of the plaintiffs. The Yan On Marine and Fire Insurance Company, Limited, and Chan Koo also had claims against the flour.

Evidence was taken and the case argued. His Lordship referred back the following points for further consideration:—Assuming that the Court to be of opinion that the same principles with regard to property passing only on the goods being ascertained to be applicable to a contract of pledge as to a contract of sale: (1) Does the evidence of the facts contained with the instructions, etc., in the godown, apart from the documents, amount to ascertainment of the bags of flour pledged? (2) Do the documents supply the deficiency if any in this evidence? (3) Is the possibility that the same flour may have been pledged to both Yan On and possibly Fat Koo and Hung Sheng and also to the also to Madame Musso consistent with the condition that the flour must be ascertained?

Argument was continued.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

The death is announced of M. Casimir Perier, a former French President, elected in 1894.

Vice-Admiral Sir Arthur Moore on board H.M. dispatch vessel "Albatross" is expected at Ningpo on the 28th instant.

Leave has been granted to Lieutenants F. A. Macdon, S. Usher and R. P. Dill, of 120th Bataillon from March 3 to Nov. 21.

Baron Mumm von Schwarzenstein, the German Ambassador in Tokyo, was received in audience by His Majesty the Emperor of Japan on March 7.

President Roosevelt began his sittings last month for a full-length portrait to be presented to the Peace Palace at The Hague. The portrait is being painted by Baron Robert de Döhlhoff, of Paris.

For his responsibility for the recent fatal collision near Arbroath, the engine driver, Gourlay, has been sentenced to five months' imprisonment on a verdict of culpable homicide.

The Prince of Wales has announced that his eldest son Prince Edward goes to Osborne House, the new training school for naval cadets in May, but that it is improbable that he will enter the Navy. The Prince hoped that his other son, Prince Albert, would do so.

A cable from San Diego to Japan announces the death of Mr. G. J. Penney. Mr. Penney, who was in his 65th year, was well known and highly respected in Japan, having resided for over thirty years in Kobe. He

left in January last for the States. Mr. Penney was one time a teacher, later connected with the Ono Shipbuilding Yard, was editor of the Kobe Herald for a year and then commenced as an auctioneer.

The Prize Court at Lihai, Russia, has decided to give £22,000 compensation to the owners of the German steamer "Thos" which was sunk in collision with a Russian cruiser.

As an instance of the interest shown by the press in London in the Thaw case, seventy-two different portraits of Mrs. Evelyn Thaw were counted in the London papers alone since the trial began.

Major Togo, who was captured by the Russians at Wiju, Korea, soon after the hostilities broke out between Russia and Japan, has been decorated with the 6th class of the Rising Sun, and received a money gift of ¥400.

A rush order for 20,000 sacks of flour for the Orient is almost ready for shipment by the Harrington Flouring Mills, says a Seattle paper of February 19th. The flour is to be sent to Japan on the "Shibetsu-maru," which was to sail from Seattle about the 26th ultimo.

On March 13, at Yokohama, says the Advertiser, the saloon deck of the "Tremont" resembled a miniature bower of flowers. The recipients of these tokens of esteem were Mrs. Fraser, Mrs. Austen, Mrs. E. W. Fraser, and Miss Fraser, who were all leaving Yokohama for a six months' trip to America.

Mr. Robert H. Wood, manager of Smith, Bell and Company, at Manila, left on the "Rubi" for Hongkong, accompanied by Mrs. Wood, where they expect to connect with a European liner for England. Mr. and Mrs. Wood will be absent for a year or more. During the absence of Mr. Wood, Mr. J. M. Sidobolom, assistant manager, will, says the Observer, hold down the lid.

A concert arranged by Miss Blair and friends will be given in the Kowloon Seamen's Institute to-morrow (Friday) evening. The first half of the programme will consist of songs, etc., by well-known local amateurs. The concluding half will be a sketch entitled "Doing my uncle." A very pleasant and enjoyable evening is anticipated. Seagoing men are cordially invited.

Mr. R. S. McCormick, ex-U.S. Ambassador at St. Petersburg, and Mr. L. C. Gresson, ex-U.S. Minister to Japan, have been decorated with the First Class Order of the Rising Sun. The former Secretary in the U. S. Embassy in St. Petersburg, and Mr. Wilson, formerly Secretary in the U. S. Legation in Tokyo, have received the Third Class of the Rising Sun. These honours have been conferred in recognition of services rendered to Japan during the Russo-Japanese War.

The University of Sydney (Australia) has awarded the Rhodes scholarship for 1907 to Mr. Garret Vere Portus, who took his B.A. degree last year. The scholarship is of the value of £300 per year for three years, and enables the holder to enter Oxford University. The award is made on special conditions, which require that the recipient shall be an "all-round" man, calculated to take his place amongst the Empire builders. Besides academic achievements, he must be the holder of a certificate as a sportsman and an athlete, and must have the vote of his fellow-students as to moral character and popularity.

One of the cleverest architects who ever came to Shanghai, and a man whose impress is left in some of our finest buildings, passed away on March 18, in the late Mr. W. J. B. Carter, says the N.C. Daily News. Mr. Carter, who was only thirty-nine years old, came out in 1896 to Messrs. Morrison, Gratton and Scott. He had passed previously through the offices of Messrs. Greyson and Ould of Liverpool, whose designs in timber work especially are well known in the profession, and he did so well for the Shanghai firm that he was speedily admitted to a partnership. A few years later he married the daughter of his former chief in Liverpool, and it will be remembered that Mrs. Carter, who was resident in the East for a brief time, only died a few weeks since at home. Her husband was then seriously ill in hospital and he succumbed on Saturday. Popular among men, Mr. Carter was one of the chief supporters of the now defunct Smoking Concert Club, he had served on the "committees" of the Shanghai Club, was a former president of the Lansestran Association and was also a prominent Freemason.

Racial Fight at Bangkok.

On March 5 a fight took place at Wat Suwan on the west side of the Bangkok river, opposite the French Legation between a gang of naklengs and two French subjects. One of the latter, Hadji Moulmin, was stabbed in the left breast and died almost immediately, and the other man named Nai Mat was seriously wounded on the head with knives. The injured man and the body of Hadji Moulmin were taken to the French Legation for examination by the Consul. Five Siamese have already been arrested in connection with the affair.

"It has been found that the 'Dreadnought' is slow in manoeuvring," says a telegram to Manila dated March 13.

Captain J. J. Mahan, one of the best known authorities on shipping matters in the Far East, and his daughter were passengers on the "Bingo-maru," booked for Europe, says the Japan Chronicle.

BY WHARF AND WAVE.

The yacht "Norseman" is to go into Aberdeen dock to-morrow.

H. M. S. "Britomart" was at Wuhu on the 18th instant and on the same date the American cruisers "West Virginia" and "Maryland" and gunboats "Helen" and "Villalobos" and "Quince" were at Nanking.

H.M.S. "King Alfred" came out of dock yesterday and H.M.S. "Otter" is expected to be undocked by Monday or Tuesday next. H.M.S. "Monmouth" is expected to go into dock about the end of the month.

As merchants hold a large proportion of the shares of Steam Navigation Companies in China, it is thought desirable that they shall be controlled by the Chinese Board of Agriculture, Works and Commerce instead of the Board of Communications.

The Chinese Board of Agriculture, Works and Commerce is considering whether Sheng Kung-pao and Shen Tun-ho shall be appointed the Director and Associate Director respectively of the China Merchant Steam Navigation Company.

The British destroyer flotilla will leave Hongkong early next month for the north, but prior to doing so they are to be docked. Two will be docked in the Cosmopolitan Dock, one in No. 3 dock, two in No. 1 and the sixth in No. 3 when the others are finished.

The French destroyer "Foudre," which it will be remembered received such great damage during the typhoon of September 18, has left for Saigon, being conveyed by the cruiser "Alger." The Dock Company have made a fine job of repairing this destroyer and have practically built her a new hull from the bridge forward. She will be finished internally at Saigon.

The C. M. S. "Hainchi," which arrived at Shanghai from Chao and Tientsin on March 18 reports: At 2.30 p.m. on the 18th instant, in Lat. 33° 54' N. and Long. 122° 38' E., passed the L.C.S. "Chun-sang" at anchor. She reported that she had broken her main shaft and was waiting for one of the Company's steamers to tow her in. She wished to be reported.

The "Robert Cooke," which went ashore down Hainan way, is still on the rocks, and will remain there until the monsoon breaks, which will probably be some time in May. We understand that the insurance money has been paid over to the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company, but there are still hopes of salvaging the vessel, which, as everybody here knows, is exceptionally strongly built.

News was received at Shanghai on March 14 that C.M. steamer "Kiangfoo" Capt. Carlson, which left Shanghai for river on March 6 had met with a mishap a few miles below Kiangkiang, while bound up river, and broke her walking beam. She at once anchored and remained there until the C.M. str. "Kiangyue" came along, and took all the up river cargo out and proceeded up river. The same vessel will tow the "Kiangfoo" down to Shanghai for repairs on her down trip.

Notice is given that a 4-foot Nun Buoy, painted red and surmounted by a black diamond shape, has been placed to mark the Ita Middle Rock, Yangtze River. From it the rock bears N. 83° E. distant 90 yards. Also that a similar Buoy, painted red and surmounted by a black spherical shape, has been placed to mark the Ita Lower Rock. From it the rock bears N. 53° E. distant 200 yards. These Buoys will be maintained in position during low river season. All bearings given are magnetic.

According to the Osaka Mainichi, Mr. Tanaka,iji in the Osaka Marine Court, on March 7 commenced the examination of Captain D. A. King of Kobe, who was in charge of the "Devanha" at the time of the recent collision, and Captain Hamasaki, master of the "Shinshu-maru," in regard to the circumstances attending the collision of the two steamers. The P. & O. S. N. Company, through its Kobe Agency, has offered to send the Captain of the "Devanha" to Osaka to give evidence at the Marine Court, if considered necessary. The "Devanha" is expected to return to Shanghai by the middle of next month.

The following full particulars of the mails which were on board the "Dakota" have been made public:—From Seattle—90 for Manila, 28 for Yokohama, 21 for Tokyo, 15 for Kobe, 3 for Nagasaki, 7 for Osaka, 10 for Hakodate, 4 for Seoul, 30 for Shanghai and 10 for Hongkong. From San Francisco—10 for the American squadron at Nagasaki and 2 for the same squadron at Shanghai. From Seattle—One for the Japanese post office at Shanghai and one for the same office at Tientsin. From Washington—Two for Tokyo, From London—Seven for Yokohama and 4 for Tokyo. From Paris—Four for Yokohama, 4 for Tokyo, 2 for Kobe and 2 for Nagasaki. From Oberhausen—Five for Yokohama, 5 for Tokyo, 4 for Kobe, 2 for Nagasaki and 3 for Osaka. From four other places—Ten for Yokohama, 7 for Tokyo, 5 for Kobe, 5 for Nagasaki and 4 for Osaka.—Total 293 sacks.

A Peking dispatch to hand states that the report of the appointment of H.E. Sheng Kung-pao to be Director-General, and Tsoot Shin Tun-ho, to be Assistant Director-General of the China Merchant Steam Navigation Company (Ministry of Agriculture, Works and Commerce) is premature, the members of that Ministry being ignorant of any such appointments.

SCENES IN LONDON.

Woman's Franchise Demonstration.

[BY SIMPLE SIMON.]

London, February 11.

I received an advertisement of the Women's meeting in Hyde Park and procession through the principal streets to Exeter Hall on the 8th, and determined to go. I had never been to any political meeting, so resolved that it would be good fun, if nothing else, to see what was to be seen—to hear what was to be heard. I was late for the Hyde Park demonstration, for when I emerged from Charing Cross Station the procession was passing the gates. The scene was a curious one—throughout the mud-tramped long train of women, young and old, pretty and plain, ladies and factory hands, some carrying banners, and all with red and white rosettes. Behind came a string of carriages and motor cars—red and white streamers and rosettes everywhere. The streets were lined with men, mostly silent lookers on. Here and there 'Arry flung some time, seasoned insult or joke at the women (which, were received in silence—they are accustomed to ridicule and insult and I must say this of women they have never yet been turned from their purpose by ridicule.) Perhaps it's owing to their having no sense of humour—they don't seem to understand where the fun comes in—and 'Arry's wit only gains a laugh from other 'Arrys.

Two men were discussing the subject near me—a young clerk and a vivacious grey-headed little artisan. The little man was very much in favour of the women, the clerk against.

"What do women want votes for?" queried the clerk.

"Wot do they want votes for?" repeated the little man, "Ain't it their own country? 'Avant they got to obey the laws? Don't they love their country enough to want to have a say as regards her welfare? Do you want them to obey laws when they haven't got no voice in the making of them? You must be silly!"

"Well," said the clerk, "They oughtn't to go making a noise about it. They oughtn't to go rowing in the House."

"And if they don't make a noise who's to hear them?" said the little man, in a crushingly sarcastic tone. And it isn't only women make a row in the 'Ouse."

Leaving them still wrangling over the subject I pushed my way forward and, entering the procession, was carried along with it into Exeter Hall. I managed to get a good seat near the platform and—once comfortable—turned to look about me. The Hall was rapidly filling, women mostly, but here and there a man. A band played by women was on the platform discoursing music to those who cared for music—I don't, and I was glad when it stopped.

People came trooping on to the platform. Mr. McLaren took the chair, and grouped round him I saw Miss Fawcett, Lily Francis Balfour, Lady Strachey, Mr. Zangwill, later on Mr. Kier Hardie, and many others.

The first to speak was Mrs. Bonwich—a pleasant-looking elderly lady. She moved the resolution "that this meeting call upon Parliament and the Government to pass a measure dealing with women's suffrage this session." She made a good speech in support of the resolution, and after her came Miss Eva Gore Booth—painfully nervous, yet so much in earnest that her speech, though not well delivered, made a favourable impression. She pleaded the cause of factory women, who are more or less prevented from earning good wages by the laws which limit their work and impose various disabilities upon them.

Mrs. Fawcett, a clever looking woman, made a business-like speech, in the course of which she said that at a recent luncheon party a lady had called out to her across the table to the effect that her husband had sympathised with woman's suffrage for the last thirty years, but that owing to the militant policy adopted by some of the ladies interested he now ceased to feel any sympathy. "Please tell your husband," answered Mrs. Fawcett, "that I would feel more deeply grieved at his defection from our ranks had he, through all those thirty years, in which he sympathised with us, done one thing, written one letter, given us one vote, or had helped us. Empty sympathy is not much loss."

Mr. Zangwill made a most brilliant and witty speech. It was a pleasure to hear him. Englishmen, he said, were bad at arithmetic; they did not seem to be able to realise that one and one make two. Yet, he said, one woman and one man make one person and that person is the man. Savages are still more unable to count and think any number makes one. The Married Woman's Property Act now declares the woman to be a separate personality from her husband. She can now own property; she has got a soul, and, more than that, she can pay taxes. He alluded to the late Education Bill as a mammoth fiasco—a monumental example of masculine mismanagement. After months of hysterics and had language it resulted in nothing. We are told, he said, that women are merged into men; that women are men, a sort of double, confused, inter-mixture of two, confusing and vexatious Campbell-Bannerman. People say women ought to be domestic—knit stockings and do rosette no thoughts to the affairs of their country—but as far as he could see women had plenty of time to think over the affairs of their country whilst they knitted stockings—stockings conducted to thought, or the making of them did. It would not, he thought, destroy all a woman's house-keeping capacity if she went up to vote once in four years—she could make the voting a most domestic affair, by going to the poll with her washstand.

Dr. Whitehead and Mr. Kier Hardie also spoke, neither very brilliantly, but I was interested in the latter, as one who is always interested in a honest man who is not afraid of his convictions and is ready to sacrifice himself for what he thinks is right.

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To facilitate finding the position of any vessel in the Harbour, the Anchorage is divided into eleven sections, commencing from Green Island. Vessels near the Hongkong shore are marked A., near the Kowloon shore K., and those in the body of the Shipping midway between each shore are marked C., in conjunction with the figures denoting the sections.

1. From Green Island to the Gas Works.
2. From Gas Works to Jardine's Wharf.
3. From Jardine's Wharf to the Harbour's Office.
4. From Harbour Master's to the Market.
5. From The Market to Peddar's Wharf.
6. From Peddar's Wharf to the Naval Yard.

7. From Naval Yard to Blue Buildings.
8. From Blue Buildings to East Point.
9. From Kelle's Island to North Point.
10. Kowloon Wharves.
11. Jardine's Wharf.

VESSELS' NAMES.	ANCHORAGE	CAPTAIN.	FLAG AND REG.	TONS	DATE OF ARRIVAL	CONSIGNEES OR AGENTS.	DESTINATION.	REMARKS.
Steamers.								
Bandai Maru.....	3 c	Mario	Japan. str.	2000	Mar. 20	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.		
Amara	3 c	Matlock	British str.	1566	Mar. 19	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	S'hai & San F'isco	March 23.
America Maru	3 c	Going	Amer. str.	3072	Mar. 14	Foyo Kisen Kaisha	Straits & Calcutta	March 22.
Arratoon Apsar	3 c	Stewart	British str.	2931	Mar. 17	David Sassoon & Co., Ltd.	Tientsin	March 24.
Cheongshing	3 c	Payne	British str.	1256	Mar. 19	Jardine, Matheson & Co.		
Chi Yuen	3 b	Stewart	Ohl. str.	1211	Mar. 19	U. M. S. N. Co.		
Cholsing	3 c	Simonsen	Ger. str.	1021	Mar. 19	Butterfield & Swire		
Chow Tai	3 c	Mollermann	Ger. str.	1116	Mar. 17	Butterfield & Swire		
Clara Jebsen	3 c	Iwersen	Ger. str.	1001	Mar. 18	Jebsen & Co.		
Daphne	3 c	Schipper	Ger. str.	1435	Mar. 1	Hamburg-Amerika Linie		
Derwent	3 c	Jenkins	British str.	1563	Mar. 14	Chinese	Vancouver (B.O.)	April 11.
Empress of China	3 c	Archibald	British str.	3032	Mar. 11	O. P. R. Co.		
Falk	3 c	Gundersen	Norw. str.	1387	Mar. 11	Sander, Wieler & Co.		
Fri	3 c	Wagle	Norw. str.	860	Mar. 20	Angaard, Thoresen & Co.	Japan & Callao	March 26.
Glenfarg	3 c	Holman	British str.	2350	Mar. 8	McGregor Bros. & Gow.		
Hangsang	3 c	Wilde	British str.	1358	Mar. 19	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Samarang & S'baya	March 22.
Hilary	3 c	Uecker	Ger. str.	1276	Mar. 9	Sander, Wieler & Co.	K'loon Dock
Hongkong	3 c	Coreil	French str.	377	Mar. 15	A. B. Marty	Saigon	March 24.
Hongsang	9 c	Fay	British str.	1359	Mar. 20	Jardine, Matheson & Co.		
Jabara	3 c	Chevalie	Dutch str.	2757	Mar. 8	Java-China-Japan Lijn.	S'tow, Amoy, Tamsui	March 24.
Joshin Maru	3 c	Smith	Japan. str.	1244	Mar. 20	Osaka Shosen Kaisha	Cebu & Iloilo	March 22.
Kaifong	3 c	Finlayson	British str.	1024	Mar. 18	Butterfield & Swire		
Kiyo Maru	3 c	Hirat	Japan. str.	1746	Mar. 3	Gilman & Co.	H'how, S'pore, B'kok	March 22.
Koh-si-chang	3 c	Rosiefsky	Ger. str.	1291	Mar. 17	Butterfield & Swire		
Kramstad	3 c	Hansen	Norw. str.	880	Mar. 17	Angaard, Thoresen & Co.		
Kumano Maru	3 c	Matheson	Japan. str.	3147	Mar. 19	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	Manila & Australia	March 22.
Kwangtah	3 c	Lunt	Ohl. str.	1467	Mar. 15	C. M. S. N. Co.		
Kwongsang	3 c	Baker	British str.	1428	Mar. 16	Jardine, Matheson & Co.		
Kyoto Maru	3 c	Yoshihara	Japan. str.	1663	Mar. 8	Japanese	Rangoon	March 22.
Labor	3 c	Jensen	Norw. str.	949	Mar. 12	Chinese		
Laertes	3 c	Jackson	British str.	1340	Mar. 15	Chinese		
Lothian	3 c	Williamson	British str.	3222	Mar. 21	Dodwell & Co., Ltd.		
Loyal	3 c	Natsins	Ger. str.	684	Mar. 20	Sander, Wieler & Co.	Europe, &c.	March 23.
Macedonia	3 c	Bennett	British str.	5245	Mar. 21	P. & O. S. N. Co.		
Maria Rickmers	3 c	Rupp	Ger. str.	1020	Mar. 17	Mitsui Bussan Kaisha		
Marie	3 c	Petersen	Ger. str.	1169	Mar. 16	Jebsen & Co.		
Mercedes	3 c	McGregor	British str.	3500	Jan. 29	Admiralty	S'pore, Pang & O'tta	March 28.
Namsang	4 c	Rolle	British str.	2591	Mar. 18	Jardine, Matheson & Co.		
Nanfa	5 c	Lycott	British str.	5676	Mar. 20	Butterfield & Swire		
Petahaburi	3 c	Goswisch	Ger. str.	1189	Mar. 19	Melchers & Co.	Hoihow & Bangkok	March 22.
Pongtong	3 c	OBotsafuhr	Ger. str.	998	Mar. 16	Melchers & Co.	K'loon Dock
Prinz Sigismund	3 c	Lenz	Ger. str.	33 2	Feb. 8	Melchers & Co.		
Progress	3 c	Pahren	Ger. str.	987	Mar. 18	Siemssen & Co.		
Pronto	3 c	Seeberg	Norw. str.	8 8	Mar. 20	Angaard, Thoresen & Co.	Saigon	March 23.
Proteus	3 c	Krabbe	Norw. str.	1024	Mar. 16	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	Swatow & Bangkok	March 23.
Providence	3 c	Skarrebo	Norw. str.	593	Mar. 19	A. B. Marty	Hoihow & Haiphong	March 22.
River Clyde	3 c	Kerr	British str.	2520	Mar. 18	Admiralty		
Rubi	5 c	Almond	British str.	1611	Mar. 18	Shewan, Tomes & Co.	Amoy & Manila	March 22.
Siberia	3 c	Zeeder	Amer. str.	5655	Mar. 20	P. M. S. S. Co.	S'hai & San F'isco	April 2.
Sosho Maru	3 c	Suruga	Japan. str.	1805	Mar. 19	Osaka Shosen Kaisha	Coast Ports & S'hai	March 22.
Sues	3 c	Klousen	Russian s.s.	1395	Mar. 11	Order		
Suma Maru	3 c	Yamaguchi	Japan. str.	2204	Mar. 12	Gilman & Co.	Kobe & Yokohama	March 23.
Tamba Maru	3 c	Butler	Japan. str.	3803	Mar. 20	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	Vancouver (B.O.)	March 27.
Tartar	3 c	Davison	British str.	3883	Mar. 15	O. P. R. Co.	K'loon Dock
Tijlajap	3 c	Emmerick	Dutch str.	2470	Feb. 14	Java-China-Japan Lijn.	Shanghai & Japan	March 21.
Tjillwong	5 c	Jurriaanse	Dutch str.	3060	Mar. 19	Java-China-Japan Lijn.		
Totomi Maru	3 c	Keith	Japan. str.	2484	Mar. 21	Nippon Yusen Kaisha		
Wongkol	3 c	Rehn	Ger. str.	1115	Feb. 12	Butterfield & Swire	K'loon Dock
Woolwich	3 c	Stoker	British str.	1845	Mar. 20	China Commercial S. S. Co.		
Yiksang	3 c	Thomas	British str.	1238	Mar. 16	Jardine, Matheson & Co.		
Yochow	3 c	Brown	British str.	1309	Mar. 19	Butterfield & Swire		
Yuanhsang	5 c	Meyrick	British str.	1123	Mar. 18	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Manila	March 23.
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Paris, Jan. 12.

"The Emperor of the Sahara," Jacques

Lohardy, has disappeared, and £800,000

worth of his houses, castles, farms, and

forests are left to look after themselves.

A great many of the rents have not been

collected for months.

Some time ago the "Emperor" had the

following notice printed in many of the

papers:—"Empire of Sahara. For sale,

all the houses in France belonging to his

Majesty Jacques I. Offers should be

made to the European Embassy of the

Empire of Sahara in Brussels."

A few weeks afterwards the "Emperor"

—misquoting as Abdallah Ben, Prince

of Teheran—tried to buy the town of Du-

laign in the Adriatic and a few days later

the Turkish police arrested him at Durazzo

in mistake for an absconding cashier of a

Viennese bank.

He was shortly afterwards liberated, and

went to Bari, where he made himself very

popular by throwing money to the crowd

from his windows.

About the end of last July the French

Foreign Office received a note signed

"Pasha Pasha, Foreign Minister to the

Saharan Empire." The Minister protested

on behalf of "his Majesty Jacques I."

against the holding of the Algerian

Conference, because of his notification of

it had been made to his imperial master.

Since then "Jacques I." has disappeared,

and nobody has been able to get any news

of him.

NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES.

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION

COMPANY, LIMITED.

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND

SINGAPORE.

THE Company's Steamship *Namsang*

having arrived from the above Ports

Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby

informed that their goods will be delivered

from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge or remain-

ing on board after 4 p.m. of the 21st inst.

will be landed at Consignees' risk and

expense.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.,

General Managers.

Hongkong, March 19, 1907.

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM LONDON AND STRAITS.

THE Steamship

RADNORSIRE,

Capt. J. M. P. HARRIS, having arrived

from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo

are hereby informed that their Goods are

being landed at the Godowns and all Goods

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